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Corps of Engineers details current activity in Louisiana hurricane recovery

BATON ROUGE, La., Sept. 10, 2005 – The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is making significant progress in accomplishing its emergency support function missions including water, ice, temporary roofing, debris removal, power restoration and temporary housing.

ROOFING

 Operation Blue Roof is up in Jefferson, Washington and St. Tammany parishes. Contractor began yesterday and installed blue roofs on 85 homes (379 requests received as of yesterday).
Mission is steadily ramping up with significant gains being made daily.

DEBRIS

- Debris removal is in underway in LaFourche, Jefferson and Ascension parishes, and will begin in St. Charles Parish today.
- Expect one more parishes today.
- The number of cubic yards of debris being removed is currently doubling every day.

POWER

Completed 223 of 256 requests for power assessments to critical facilities (ex. Water treatment)